REMARKS

Claims 1-37 were previously canceled.

Claims 38-218 were pending.

Claims 71-110 have been canceled.

Claims 38-70 and 111-218 are current pending.

Formal Matters

Applicant has included canceled claims 1-37, as requested by the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited.

Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 512-439-5084.

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